



CLEAN TEXAS 2000

Application Instructions & Requirements for Large Business/Technical and Innovative Technology (Form T)

1998 Texas Environmental Excellence Awards

**Application deadline for the 1998 CLEAN TEXAS 2000 Texas Environmental
Excellence Awards is November 15, 1997.**

Winners will be notified in the spring of 1998. The Texas Environmental Excellence Awards Banquet will be held May 6, 1998, in Austin.

Awards may be presented in the following categories:

- ★ Large Business/Technical (more than 100 employees; project must be technical; use Technical Application - Form T, TNRCC-0139b)*
- ★ Innovative Technology (use Technical Application - Form T, TNRCC-0139b)*

** Businesses having a technical project or wanting to submit an innovative technology as a project should use the application for Large Business/Technical and Innovative Technology categories (Form T). If you would like to receive a Technical Application and one was not enclosed in your packet, please contact us at 512/239-3164.*

Indicate the category that best describes your organization by checking the appropriate box on the front of your application. The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission will make the final decision on the appropriate category for your project. Applications will be scored in one category.

If you want to submit several projects for consideration, the application form may be photocopied. Complete a new application if you want to resubmit a project from last year. Your project will be scored according to the information provided on the application. Please complete your application in detail and show your project's results. An electronic copy of this application is available at <http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us/txawd/txawd.html>

Please consider the following requirements when filling out your application. Applications that do not adhere to these requirements **will not be considered**.

- ✓ Please complete one application per project using only the space provided on the application.
- ✓ Send the original and four (4) copies.
- ✓ Your application must be **postmarked by November 15, 1997**, for consideration for the 1998 awards.
- ✓ In the interest of fairness, past winners from the same company or organization (1996 and 1997 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence winners) must wait two years before submitting a new application.
- ✓ Type size should be no smaller than the type size on this page (Times 10-point or comparable).
- ✓ Projects must show measurable results to be considered. Projects must either be complete or demonstrating measurable results as an ongoing effort.
- ✓ Support material (videos, brochures, press clips, photos, manuals, etc.) will not be accepted, except for the media category. However, you may be asked to submit additional materials at a later date.
- ✓ Projects must be located in the state of Texas.

Recommendations for winners will be made by the Texas Environmental Excellence Awards Blue Ribbon Selection Committee. Final selection will be made by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commissioners and the governor. Selection of the winning projects will be based on the following criteria:

INNOVATIVE	Is significant R&D required? Is this the first application of this technology? Is it a new way to use existing technology? Is it state of the art or is it standard technology?
RESPONSE TO REGULATIONS	Does the project go beyond compliance? Is it a response to pending regulations (within two years)? Is it regulatory compliance? Is it enforcement driven?
MEASURABLE	What is the volume of hazardous waste reduced by the project? Is it significant? What is the volume of TRI reduced? What is the percent of reduction of TRI from the project start year or the baseline year? What is the percent of reduction of VOCs from the project start year or the baseline year? What is the volume of water conserved by the project? What is the percent of reduction of water from the project start year or the baseline year? What is the volume of energy conservation? What is the percent of reduction of energy from the project start year or the baseline year?
EXCEPTIONAL	Does it address high priority environmental need? Does it address worker/community safety concern? Does your project take place in a critical region, non-attainment or near non-attainment area?

For more information call CLEAN TEXAS 2000 at 512-239-3164 or dial 1-800-64-TEXAS.